Fourth

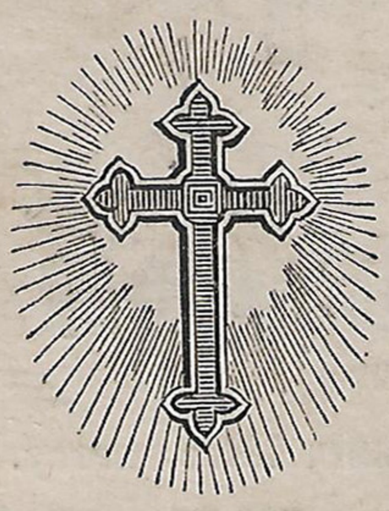
Christmas Festival

OF THE

Schools of St. Ignatius Parish,

At the Church,

Fortieth Street, between Fifth and Sixth Avenues, New York.



Evening of the Feast of Holy Innocents,

Monday, December 28th, 1874,

At Six o'clock.

I.

Processional.

WE march, we march to victory,
With the Cross of the LORD before us;
With His loving eye looking down from the sky,
And His Holy Arm spread o'er us.

I.

We come in the might of the Lord of Light,
In surpliced train to meet Him;
And we put to flight the armies of night,
That the sons of the day may greet Him.
We march, we march, &c.

II.

The bands of the Alien flee away
When our chant goes up like thunder,
And the van of the LORD in serried array,
Cleaves Satan's ranks asunder.
We march, we march, &c.

III.

We tread to the roll of the organ swell,
With the watchword duly given;
And we challenge the Prince of the Hosts of Hell
To fight for the gates of Heaven.
We march, we march, &c.

IV.

Boys only.

Our sword is the Spirit of GOD on High,
Our helmet His salvation;
Our banner the Cross of Calvary,
Our watchword, THE INCARNATION.
We march, we march, &c.

V.

We tread in the might of the Lord of Hosts,
And we fear not man nor devil;
For our Captain Himself guards well our coasts,
To defend His Church from evil.
We march, we march, &c.

VI.

He marches in front of His banner unfurled,
Which He raised that His own might find Him;
And the Holy Church throughout all the world,
Falls into rank behind Him.
We march, we march, &c.

VII.

And the choir of Angels with song awaits
Our march to the golden Sion:
For our Captain has broken the brazen gates,
And burst the bars of iron.
We march, we march, &c.

VIII.

Then onward we march, our arms to prove,
With the banner of Christ before us,
With His eye of love looking down from above,
And His Holy Arm spread o'er us.
We march, we march, &c.

II.

Litany of the Holy Childhood.

LORD, have mercy. CHRIST, have mercy. LORD, have mercy.
Our FATHER, ... but deliver us from evil.
V. Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given, Alleluia.
R. And the government shall be upon His shoulders, Alleluia.

III.

Collects.

Our FATHER, ...but deliver us from evil. Amen.

V. O GOD, make speed to save me.
R. O LORD, make haste to help me.
V. Glory be to the FATHER, and to the SON, and to the HOLY GHOST.
R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Alleluia.

IV.

Christmas Carol.

Shepherds on Their Way.

I.

The other night, I saw a light,
A star as bright as day;
And all along I heard a song
From shepherds on their way
To Bethlehem to see the CHILD
That in a manger born;
From hills afar they saw the star,
They knew that CHRIST had come.

II.

Let every heart in gladness raise
A note of joyful praise,
And not forget to WHOM we owe
Our life, our love, our days;
'Twas GOD THE FATHER sent his SON,
Good will and love to bring;
Then shout aloud our songs of praise
To HIM, our new-born KING.

CHORUS:

'Tis merry Christmas morn, a joyous Christmas morn;
O may each heart then ne'er forget
The day that CHRIST was born.
Ring out, ye joyous bells, this happy Christmas morn;
O let each heart then ne'er forget, the day that CHRIST was born.

V.

Christmas Lesson.

R. GOD is the LORD Who hath showed us light.
V. The Word was made Flesh. Alleluia.
R. And dwelt among us. Alleluia.
V. Glory be to the FATHER, and to the SON, and to the HOLY GHOST.
R. The Word was made Flesh, and dwelt among us. Alleluia.

VI.

Christmas Carol.

I.

Noël! Noël! Noël!
CHRIST was born on Christmas Day,
Let nations all rejoice!
In singing praises to HIS NAME
Raise every head and voice.

HE came poor sinners to release,
From Satan's bonds to free,
So they may rest with HIM in peace,
In all eternity.

II.

Noël! Noël! Noël!
JESUS CHRIST was born to-day,
HIS triumphs let us sing,
And let us as redeemed souls
Thank HIM our new-born KING.

Though lowly born, and lowly laid,
All Angels HIM adore,
WHOSE NAME in glory is so great,
'Twill shine for ever more. Amen.

VII.

Remarks.

VIII.

Gloria in Excelsis.

IX.

Offertory.

Hymn 370, Hymns Ancient and Modern.

X.

The Magnificat.

V. The LORD hath made known. Alleluia.
R. The salvation. Alleluia.

ANTIPHON.—To-day CHRIST is born: to-day the SAVIOUR hath appeared; to-day Angels sing upon earth, and Archangels rejoice: to-day the righteous are glad, and say: Glory to GOD in the highest. Alleluia.

XI.

Christmas Carol.

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing.

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King,
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled."
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic host proclaim,
CHRIST is born in Bethlehem.

CHORUS.

Hark! the herald angels sing,
Hark! the herald angels sing,
Hark! the angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King."

CHRIST, by highest heaven adored,
CHRIST the everlasting LORD,
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of a Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!
Hail, the Incarnate Deity!
Pleased as Man with man to dwell,
JESUS our Emanuel.
Chorus—Hark! the herald, etc.

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Risen with healing in His wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that man no more may die;
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
Chorus—Hark! the herald, etc.

XII.

V. The LORD be with you. *R.* And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Collect.

V. The Lord be with you. *R.* And with thy spirit.
V. Bless we the LORD. *R.* Thanks be to GOD. Amen.

XIII.

Retrocessional.

Hymn 385, Hymns Ancient and Modern.